

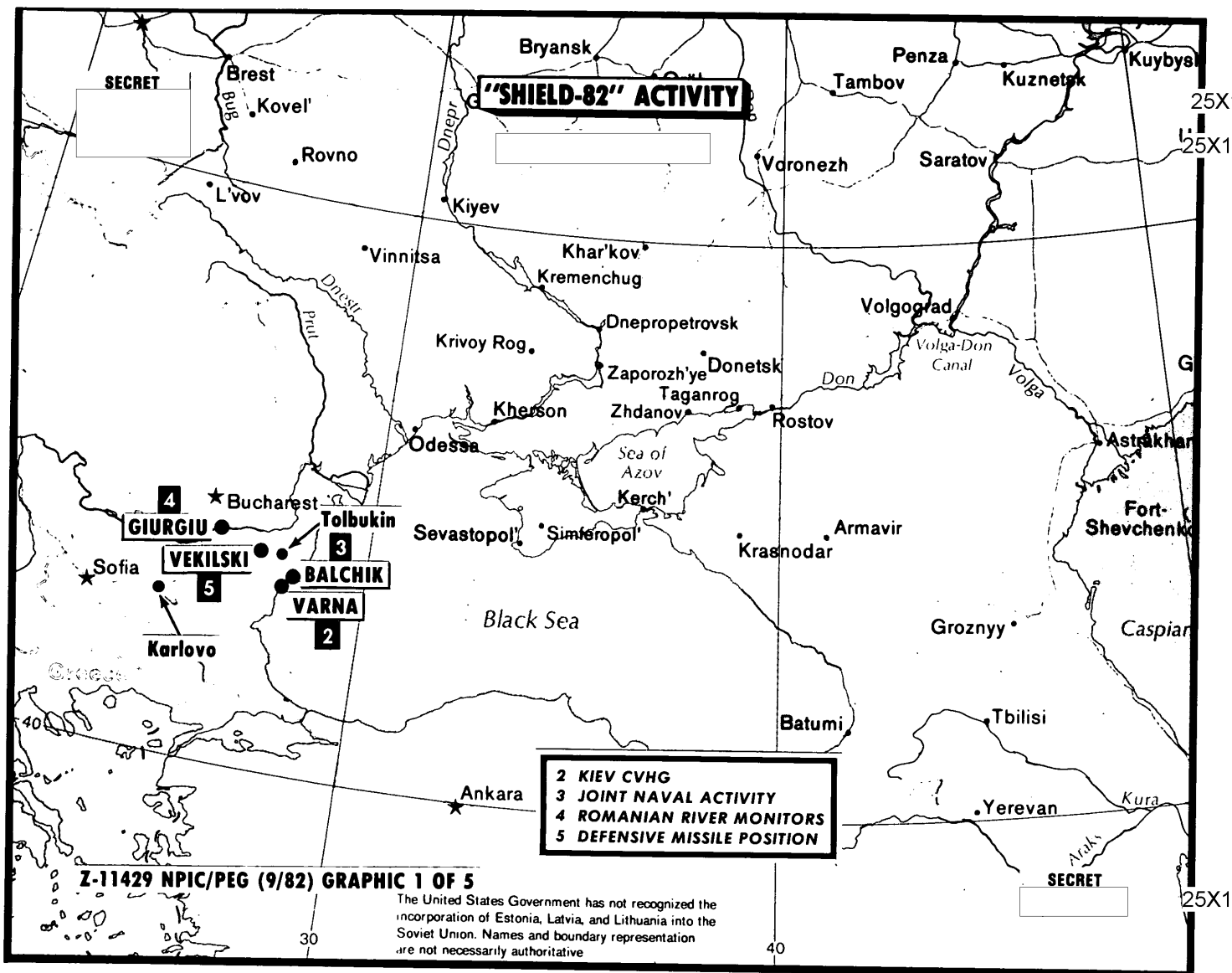
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"SHIELD-82" ACTIVITY

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1. **(SWN) SIGNIFICANCE:** THE JOINT WARSAW PACT EXERCISE "SHIELD-82" HAS BEGUN.
2. **(SWN) REMARKS:** A JOINT NAVAL EXERCISE INVOLVING BULGARIAN AND SOVIET NAVAL UNITS IS UNDERWAY JUST OFF THE COAST OF BULGARIA IN THE BLACK SEA. NAVAL ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED AT VARNA AND BALCHIK, BULGARIA AND GIURGIU, ROMANIA. AT VEKILSKI AIRFIELD A DEFENSIVE MISSILE SITE IS NEWLY IDENTIFIED AND AT TOLBUKHIN AIRFIELD ELEMENTS OF THE FLOGGER REGIMENT AND THE POLISH TRANSPORT REGIMENT REMAIN.

(SWN) AT VARNA PORT FACILITIES [REDACTED] AT LEAST TEN NAVAL COMBATANTS INCLUDING THE SOVIET KIEV-CLASS GUIDED MISSILE V/STOL AIRCRAFT CARRIER (CVHG) (GRAPHIC 2), TWO RIGA FRIGATES (FF), THREE POTI PATROL ESCORTS (PG), AND FOUR VANYA-II COASTAL MINESWEEPERS (MSC) ARE DEPARTING.

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(SWN) AT BALCHIK COASTAL DEFENSE FORCE BASE [REDACTED] (GRAPHIC 3), TWO SOVIET NANUCHKA-I GUIDED MISSILE PATROL COMBATANTS, THREE SOVIET OSA-II MISSILE ATTACK BOATS (PTG), TWO PROBABLE SOVIET OSA-I PTG, AND TWO SHERSHEN TORPEDO BOATS ARE AT THIS FACILITY. ONE BULGARIAN MESAR CLASS REPLENISHMENT OILER (AOR) AND TWO LIGHT OILERS ARE OFFSHORE. THE COMBATANTS WERE PRESENT AS EARLY [REDACTED] THE AOR HAD DEPARTED VARNA NAVAL BASE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THE NORMAL ORDER-OF-BATTLE AT THIS FACILITY INCLUDES ONE TO FIVE BULGARIAN PO-2 PATROL BOATS.

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(SWN) IN POSSIBLE REACTION TO THE "SHIELD-82" JOINT WARSAW PACT EXERCISE SEVENTEEN 32-METER RIVER MONITORS/SMALL COMBATANTS (GRAPHIC 4) ARE AT GIURGIU SHIPYARD, ROMANIA

[REDACTED] THESE UNITS ARE NOT NORMALLY OBSERVED HERE. GIURGIU IS ACROSS THE DANUBE RIVER FROM RUSE PORT COMPLEX, BULGARIA [REDACTED]

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(SWN) A PROBABLE DEFENSIVE MISSILE POSITION (GRAPHIC 5) IS JUST NORTHEAST OF VEKILSKI AIRFIELD [REDACTED] THE DEFENSIVE MISSILE POSITION CONSISTS OF 27 REVETMENTS

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INTERLOCKED WITH TRENCHES. FOUR OF THE REVETMENTS ARE OCCUPIED WITH LARGE CANVAS-DRAPED VEHICLES. THREE OTHER GROUPINGS OF CANVAS-DRAPED VEHICLES AND THREE SUPPORT VEHICLES ARE ALSO PRESENT. IN ADDITION, AN ARTILLERY BATTALION WITH THREE CANVAS-DRAPED ARTILLERY BATTERIES IS NORTH-NORTHEAST OF THE AIRFIELD. NO AIRCRAFT ARE PRESENT.

(SWN) AT TOLBUKHIN AIRFIELD [REDACTED] (GRAPHIC 1), ELEMENTS OF THE FLOGGER REGIMENT AND THE POLISH TRANSPORT REGIMENT ARE STILL PRESENT. AIR ORDER-OF-BATTLE CONSISTS OF 27 FLOGGER, 15 COKE/CURL, TWO CRUSTY, ONE CODLING, AND FOUR CRATE. THE BIVOUAC ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRANSPORT REGIMENT IS STILL PRESENT. TWENTY LIGHT UTILITY TRUCKS, ASSOCIATED WITH POLISH AIRBORNE UNITS, ARE IN CONVOY ON A NEARBY DIRT ROAD.

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(SWN) AT KARLOVO ARMY BARRACKS 1 [REDACTED] (GRAPHIC 1), TWO CONVOYS OF 16 AND 15 TRUCKS EACH ARE FORMING IN FRONT OF THE STORAGE SHEDS. A CONVOY OF 16 TRUCKS AND EIGHT UAZ-69 UTILITY VEHICLES WAS ON A PARADE FIELD ON [REDACTED] AND HAD DEPARTED [REDACTED] A NORMAL LOW LEVEL OF ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED IN THE OTHER SECTIONS OF THE GARRISON.

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3. BE N/A, COORDINATES N/A

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